



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application Serial No. ....09/704,425  
Filing Date ..... November 1, 2000  
Inventor ..... Kevin J. Nicholls et al.  
Assignee ..... Avista Advantage, Inc.  
Group Art Unit ..... 3639  
Examiner ..... Thomas A. Dixon  
Attorney's Docket No. ....AV2-012  
Title: Computerized System and Method for Selecting an Appropriate Utility Rate to  
Provide Cost Savings for a Consumer

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

To: Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated February 13, 2006 for 1 month from May 13, 2006 to June 13, 2006.

The fee for the extension is included in the enclosed check.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore.

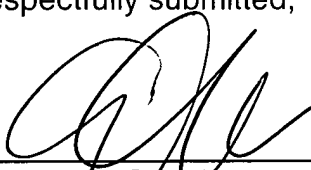
Charge or credit Deposit Account No. 23-0925 with any shortage or overpayment of the above fee.

Respectfully submitted,

Date:

May 24, 2006

By:

  
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